

# What's on Term 4, 2012

Upper Hunter Community Services Inc.

Below are dates that we are holding Parent groups across the Muswellbrook and Upper Hunter areas.

All programs are free of charge and childcare is available.  
Bookings essential.

Date/Time	Event	Other information
Thursdays 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct – 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov 9.30am -11.30am 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov -29 <sup>th</sup> Dec	→ Triple P Group 4 weeks x 2hr session  Followed by 3 weeks x 15min phone call	Venue: QEII Building CNR Market & Bridge St's Muswellbrook.
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Wednesdays 10.30am- 12noon 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct, 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct & 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	→ Triple P Seminar  The power of positive parenting. → Raising confident,competent children. → Raising resilient children.	Venue: Hunter Park Family Centre, Wollombi Road, Muswellbrook.
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov 9.30-2.00pm	→ 123 Magic & Emotion Coaching	Venue: Aberdeen Public School.
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov 9.30-2.00pm	→ Engaging Adolescents	
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov 9.30am- 2.00pm	→ 123 Magic & Emotion Coaching	Venue: Muswellbrook Public School.
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec 9.30am-2.00pm	→ Engaging Adolescents	

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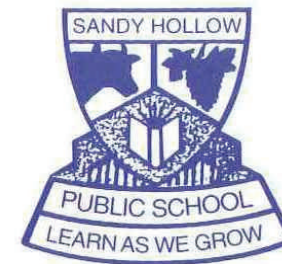
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So many good Beef Bonanza photos!

## Additions and Attachments

- ♦ Farm Safety Day permission note.
- ♦ Church Service and String Ensemble permission note.
- ♦ Concert performance for Senior Citizens permission note.



# SANDY HOLLOW SNIPPETS "Creating Future Leaders"

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21st November, 2012

## Teacher Appreciation Day

Last Friday, the students celebrated Teacher Appreciation Day with the help of Mrs Harris. All teaching staff were acknowledged for their hard work. Students published letters and poems about their class teachers. Some were chosen to be read out on assembly. All members of staff were quite touched by the things the students wrote about them. Our assembly concluded with a morning tea. Thank you to all parents who provided yummy goodies for morning tea and thank you to Mrs Harris for organising the event.

## 2013 School Captains

This Friday, we will hear speeches from the Year 5 students who have nominated for the positions of school captain, sports captain or library monitors for 2013. Straight after the assembly, voting will take place, with the results not being revealed until Presentation Night on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December. Our assembly will begin at 9.15am. We will also be listening to a short presentation from Geoff Myers who will be speaking about his latest book on local history. Assembly will be followed by a short morning tea. All parents are welcome to attend.



Simon at  
Beef  
Bonanza

## Meetings

I will be away from school for three days in week 8 as I attend meetings for Invermein, Primary Principal's Association and for our SED group. During these three days I will be replaced by Miss Cavalot (Wednesday and Friday) and Mrs Parker (Thursday). Work will be left for the students to ensure that the classroom program is not disrupted.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**Special Assembly and Captain's  
Speeches 9.15am Fri 23rd Nov**

**Last Kinder Orientation  
Wed 28th Nov**

**Rotary Dinner for Yr 6 at Denman RSL  
Wed 28th Nov**

**Farm Safety Day at Martindale  
Tues 4th Dec**

**Presentation Night Wed 5th Dec**

**Canteen Monday 26th Nov  
Katie McLean  
Monday 3rd Dec - Nicola Field**

**Next Toybox - Mon 3rd December**

Claim the Date

E- Swim School begins Thurs 6th Dec

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## Reports

All members of staff are currently writing reports for Semester 2. Reports will be sent home at the end of week 9 (Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December) to ensure that parents have adequate time to speak to their child's teacher if need be.

Mrs Parker is taking leave at the end of the year and will only be available Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December after school or Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December, before school. Please contact the school to make an appointment if you wish to speak to her regarding your child's progress.

## Farm Safety Day

On Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December, the whole school will be travelling to Martindale Public School to participate in a farm safety day. There are a variety of activities planned for the day including a presentation on safety around wildlife, SES presentation on safety around water sources, and presentations about quad bike, tractor and machinery safety. A BBQ is being provided free of charge. The cost of the day will be \$10 per student. Please fill in the enclosed permission and return to school with the payment as soon as possible.

## Church Service

We will be attending our annual Christmas Church service with the students of Martindale Public School on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December straight after swimming. After the church service we will be attending a string ensemble performance which will be held at Denman Public School. There will be no cost for students to participate in either of these activities. Permission notes will go home later this week.

## Arriving at School

A reminder to all students that they should not be at school before 8.45am, unless prior arrangements have been made with staff. The teaching day does not start until 8.45am, and a teacher is not on duty until 8.50am. Any students arriving early are required to sit in the COLA until dismissed for play.

## Year 6 Farewell Dinner

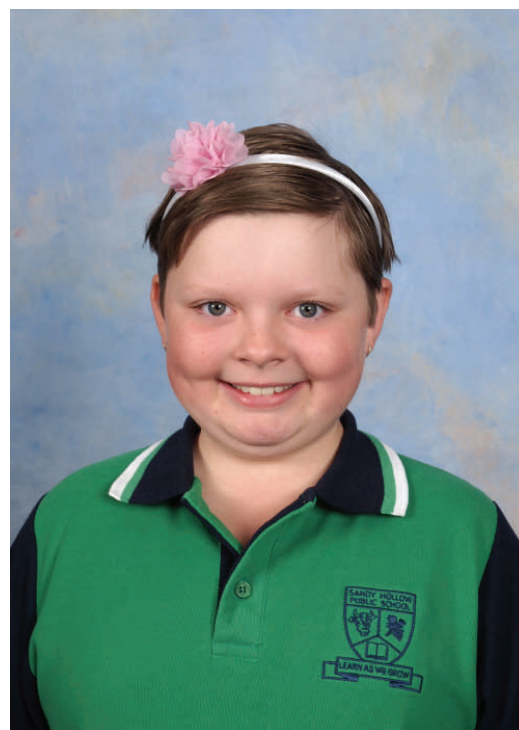
A date has been finalised for the Year 6 Farewell. It will be held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December starting at 6.30pm. The students have decided that they would like Chinese this year. A menu will go home this week, for students and parents to mark their selections on. The P&C have generously offered to pay for all orders, so there will be no cost to parents or students for the night. RSVPs and orders are due back no later than Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

## Senior Citizens Performance

We will be performing for the Senior Citizens of Denman on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December straight after swimming. There will be no cost for students to participate in this activity.

Christina Darlington - Relieving Principal

## Student of the Week



Kristy Walker - tolerance and perseverance.

## Weekly Awards

- ◆ Hugh Higgins - improved attitude towards classwork.
- ◆ Luke Sheen - achievement in maths mental.
- ◆ Shanay Turner - trying hard in maths.
- ◆ Angus Higgins - participation in grammar.
- ◆ Gypsie Russell - being helpful in art.

## Workers of the Week

K/1/2 - Natasha Marsh and Darcy Wallace.

3/4/5/6 - Emmett Scott, Amelia Harris, Olivia McLean and Bella Wallace.

## Kindergarten Orientation

As we all come together for our second last week of Kindergarten Orientation the children focus on what they could do if they find something is too hard for them to do.

This skill was demonstrated through the story "Three Cheers for Errol". Errol was not very good at school work but he tried his best.

Following recess Steven, Riley, Angel, Rowdy, Bill, Kallie and Lucas joined the Year 1 and Kindergarten children as we all recite many nursery rhymes with a variety of actions.

The children then worked with Mrs Eveleigh for their maths session, during which they learnt about day and night. They each made a moon and some stars before continuing with their counting activities.

## Peer Support

This week our group leaders Hugh, Sebastian, Amelia, Luke, Chelsea, Simon, Taylor and Georgie led their groups through four activities.

Throughout the afternoon the children were encouraged to use the social skills they have learnt so far this term, that being: Listening, using nice talk, asking for help, ignoring, interrupting and trying when it's hard.

## Book Fair

Thank you to all those who support our book fair. Your contribution enabled us to sell over \$700 worth of books and put \$210 worth of books into our library. Each class was able to select what books they would like to borrow from the library. These books will be available next year.

Tammy Parker

## Trying When It's Hard

### **Stop and Think**

Discuss the feeling of frustration and point out that lots of people get frustrated when something is difficult.

### **Say "It's hard, but I'll try"**

Talk about feeling proud when something is hard but you tried it anyway. Also stress that it's OK to try and fail.

### **Try It.**

Point out that a person might need to try more than once.

Pauline Bullock

Kindergarten Teacher



Olivia at Beef Bonanza

# Teaching someone to drive can be a happy experience.

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**The next workshop in your area will be held:**

TIME & DATE:	VENUE:	BOOK NOW ON:
Tuesday 4 December 2012 6.00pm - 8.00pm	Police & Citizens Youth Club Cnr Carl St & Market Lane Muswellbrook	4925 4200 enrolments@ weahunter.com.au

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